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SUBJECT: GREEK/TURKISH AEGEAN DISPUTE: TURKISH RESEARCH
VESSEL AND WARSHIPS REPORTED EN ROUTE TO DISPUTED
AREA AEGEAN

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF UPI REPORT FILED FROM ISTANBUL
JUST RECEIVED BY EMBASSY. REQUEST EMBASSY ANKARA COMMENT
SOONEST. BEGIN TEXT: TURKEY TODAY (MAY 29) SENT A NAVAL
RESEARCH VESSEL GUARDED BY WARSHIPS TO PROBE FOR OIL IN
AN AREA OF THE AEGEAN SEA CLAIMED BY GREECE, TURKISH OFFICIALS
SAID. ENERGY MINISTER CAHIT KAYRA TOLD NEWSMEN THE UNDERWATER
EXPLORER CANDARLI LEFT BEYKOZ ON THE BOSPHOROS STRAITS
AT 3 P.M. (1200 GMT) TO PROBE THE AEGEAN SEABED. "THIS
IS THE FIRST PHASE OF THE OIL EXPLORATION PROGRAM," HE
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SAID. NAVAL SOURCES SAID A FLOTILLA OF CRUISERS, FOUR

SUBMARINES, NINE SWEEPERS AND GUNBOATS PUT TO SEA EARLIER
TODAY FROM THE TURKISH NAVAL BASE AT GOLCUK ON THE
MARMARA SEA. END TEXT

2. ADDRESSEES SHOULD CONSULT FBIS 29119Z MAY 74,
SUBJECT: TURKISH OCEANOGRAPHIC VESSEL TO SAIL TODAY FOR
AEGEAN OIL SEARCH" FOR AMPLIFYING DETAILS.

3. PRESS OFFICER TURKISH EMBASSY ATHENS HAS SUBSTANTIALLY
CONFIRMED TRUTH OF THIS REPORT TO LOCAL UPI CORRESPONDENT
JOHN RIGOS. IN LIGHT ALL OF ABOVE EMBASSY ANKARA COMMENT
REQUESTED ASAP.
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